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BRIGGS' VICIOUS CAMPAIGN STRESSES 'CHILD SEX' ISSUE

Homosexual molestation of children is being made an issue of the Proposition 6 campaign being launched by Senator John Briggs. He recently stated, "The majority of child molestation cases are heterosexual . . . That is not even what I am talking about. That's already a crime". But material released from his California Defend Our Children committee reveals that Briggs is taking the "low road" from material used by Anita Bryant in Miami. A pamphlet from the committee states boldly, "Homosexuals Are Trying to Recruit Our Children."

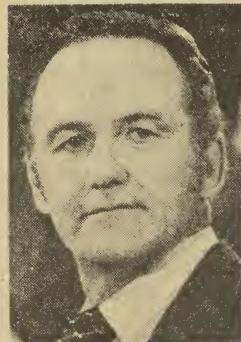
The YES ON 6 group is distributing a re-run of the most damning advertisement used by Bryant in Miami. It depicts 15 clippings, selectively chosen from newspaper articles in various states, which concentrate on the child molestation theme. "Teacher Accused of Sex Acts With Boy Students," "4 Men Accused of Abusing Boys" and "Homosexuals Used Scout Troop" are some of the headlines used. The advertisement asks, "Are all homosexuals 'nice'? These are actual stories in the nation's press. Judge for yourself."

VOTE FOR YOUR CHILDREN and VOTE FOR DECENCY IN YOUR SCHOOLS reads the Briggs literature — SAVE OUR CHILDREN FROM HOMOSEXUALITY IN OUR SCHOOLS.

Supervisor Harvey Milk told

B.A.R. he believes these are the four basic arguments that Briggs will be using in the campaign:

1. Gay teachers are bad role models because if students like a Gay teacher and learn that he/she is Gay, then they might



Briggs takes low road.

emulate or copy the homosexual lifestyle. (This was a major argument used by Save Our Children during Anita Bryant's Miami campaign.)

2. Homosexuals attempt to recruit children into their Gay lifestyle. (The argument by Bryant was that they must do this because — it was asserted — they cannot have children of their own.)

3. Parents have the right to determine who shall teach their children. Briggs argues that

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4 Men Accused

Ex-teachers indicted for lewd acts with boys

Two former Asbury school teachers were indicted Tuesday by U.S. Dist. Court. James J. Berman, 31, a junior high school social studies teacher, and his 15-year-old son, also charged with multiple charges of engaging in lascivious acts with boys under the age of 14.

Robert Novak, 31, a junior high school social studies teacher, and his 15-year-old son, also charged with multiple charges of engaging in lascivious acts with boys under the age of 14.

John D. Burch, 35, a high school English teacher, was indicted on an eight-count indictment alleging that he committed the same offense with eight boys between the period June 17, 1976, to November, 1976.

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parents' rights are greater than the civil rights of Gay school employees; that closeted Gays may be good teachers, but they should remain closeted.

4. Homosexuality is immoral. Briggs was converted to Roman Catholicism after marrying a Catholic. He speaks frequently of "protecting the family" and the alleged immorality of those who are Gay based on biblical teachings. The senator does not quote scripture. His religious comments are general in nature.

GAY DEMANDS

What do homosexuals demand? The committee's pamphlet quotes (accurately) from a "demands" list from a 1972 convention of Gay organizations in Chicago. This conference, primarily attended by members of Gay Activist Alliance in New York City and some West Coast Gay leaders, did issue the list of efforts it would launch which included

"federal support for sex education courses prepared and taught by Gay women and men presenting homosexuality as a valid, healthy preference and lifestyle, as a viable alternative to heterosexuality."

The second demand by what was billed as the

this section.)

Briggs' YES ON 6 pamphlets have a section about "Leaders Who Speak Out Against Homosexuality." Although the senator personally states that he has nothing against people remaining homosexual as long as "they"

which promotes homosexuality or attempts to portray it as a legitimate 'alternative lifestyle.'

U.S. Senator S.I. Hayakawa is used in one of his homophobic remarks — "Homosexuality is a failure of emotional development . . . I think they need medical or psychological help . . . I'd have to vote with Anita Bryant (for repeal of Miami's rights ordinance)."

George F. Will, a syndicated columnist from the political Right, calls homosexuality "a distortion of personality" which comes from "a social atmosphere of indifference, or sustained exposure to homosexual role models, such as teachers."

Two well-known homophobes in the psychiatric profession are used in the Briggs literature — Dr. Shirley Van Ferney, New Jersey Medical Center, and Dr. Charles Socarides, State University of New York. Van Ferney states, "Homosexuals are so active on high school campuses that there is hardly a child in

sexuality and perversion." The aim of these actions is "to legitimize their perverted lifestyle so they may influence our children to adopt homosexuality."

In an attack on State Senators Milton Marks and David Roberti, the literature stresses that these men support employment rights for homosexuals, adding, "If Prop. 6 fails, we will face a new wave of permissive homosexual protection laws and more flagrant sexual behavior by these disturbed teachers."

In a blatant lie, repeating statistics that Los Angeles Police Chief Daryl Gates has since refuted, the argument is presented that "there are some 30,000 boys — some as young as 12 years old — who act as homosexual prostitutes in Los Angeles County alone." Stating that "homosexuality is destroying the family," the literature urges that wives and husbands are divorcing to accept the homosexual lifestyle — "Yet homosexuals wish to propagandize their perversion as an acceptable alternative to marriage and family life!"

This material is being published in pamphlets distributed by Briggs' organization, California Defend Our Children, 505 East Commonwealth, Fullerton, California 92632.

Will Churches Help Briggs Raise Cash?

Morris Kight, Los Angeles activist, has told B.A.R. that an effort to rally clergymen by a supporter of Prop. 6 in the Southland recently produced meager support. Of the 40 who appeared at the Sherman Oaks rally, only 20 signed pledge cards to continue to help the YES ON 6 effort. Kight believes that this is a further indication that Sen. John Briggs is not able to stir the clergy to action on this initiative.

Rev. Ray Batema, a Baptist minister from Pomona, helped set up the Sherman Oaks rally. He is moving across California to hopefully organize 6,000 ministers behind Prop. 6. Batema hopes that the initiative will become as hot as Howard Jarvis' Prop. 13 before the November election.

Briggs spent over \$850,000 to qualify the anti-Gay measure and is attempting to raise another \$1.5 million for November. One of his problems is that sympathetic Christian groups are using the initiative to raise funds — for themselves, not for Briggs' committee.

Briggs, who has been accused of mixing the funds of his various committees and causes, may be using funds from the Prop. 7 (extension of the death penalty) initiative to bolster Prop. 6 if the churches are unable to muster funds for the anti-Gay fight . . . GM

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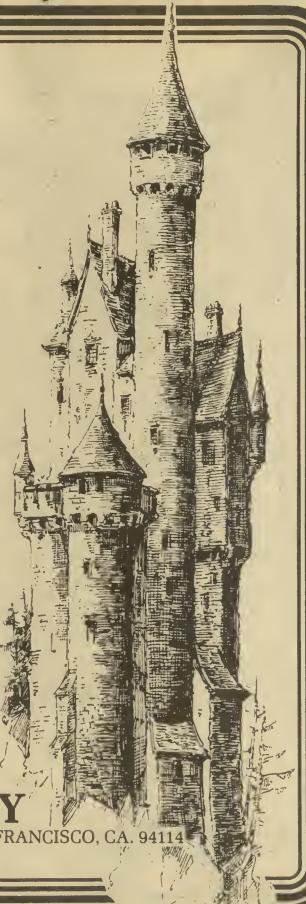
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GAY TEACHERS

In a reference to Healdsburg teacher Larry Berner, the YES ON 6 literature states that he "made his perverted sexual performance" public and that "every day this teacher represents homosexuality as an acceptable lifestyle to young, impressionable students, just by his presence."

Homosexuals are already in our schools, the Briggs material explains. It refers to Tom Ammiano, a homosexual teacher and activist, in stating that 1/3 of the teaching force in San Francisco are homosexual. It adds that the San Francisco school board has voted 7-0 to eliminate negative references to homosexuality in its teaching guidelines. The Gay Community Services Center in Los Angeles is cited as having an "outreach" program to infiltrate public schools, "advocating teenage acceptance of homo-

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In Memoriam JOHN HENRY JORDAN

John Henry Jordan — known affectionately as "Julie" in the Gay community — died last week while vacationing in Rome. Jordan had an angina pectoris condition and died of a heart attack. He was 56.

"Julie" was well-known for his sense of humor and generosity. Operation Concern has been a pet project of John's. (He was a candidate for Mr. Circus-Circus this year, helping to raise needed funds for that Gay mental health unit of the Pacific Medical Center).

Jordan had a strong interest in sports and was a loyal supporter and worker for the San Francisco Gay sports community — most notably the Community Softball League.

He was born in Haver, Montana, where he attended the local schools. After graduation, John joined the Navy and eventually became a nurse. He practiced nursing until 1968. Then he started tending bar at On The Levee and was currently popular bartender at The Mint and Sutter's Mill. "Julie" is survived by a brother in Minneapolis and two sisters in Washington state.

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To inept students of your school,
Unabashed, you played our fool,
With unerring skill, our willing tool,
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Comedian, star, full length feature,
Light-hearted, kind, quick-witted creature,
We learned life well with you, our teacher!
Good job, Julie Jordan, and Goodbye!

Jim Callis

DAVID STAHLMAN

One of the most dedicated and productive members of the Gay community has passed away in his apartment in San Francisco.

David Stahlman was known to thousands who handed him their tickets to stage shows and dances at SIR Community Center, 83 Sixth Street, during the late 60's and early 70's. He was an unrelenting volunteer who served as Office Manager, Secretary, and Vice President of the former Society for Individual Rights (SIR).

David could also be observed sweeping the hallway, stamping envelopes and appearing in a camp show because he believed that Gay liberation required a continuing dedication.

In recent years, David was seen at many Gay events wearing a gold medallion around his neck and occasionally jewels in his hair.

His close friends visited David and his Aunt Louise, who he lived with for many years, in their comfortable California Street apartment. Aunt Louise passed away two years ago.

We wish to pause in our busy schedule to pay tribute to one of the early crusaders who, in his way, helped make freedom closer for us all.

B.A.R. Staff

Letters...

FROM THE DESK OF STRANGE DE JIM

★ Charles McCabe devoted his Sept. 21 column to proposing that Gay men either not exist at all or else pretend not to exist because they make his intelligent, sincere, earnest nineteen-year-old friend uncomfortable. My first question in my letter to him was obvious — would his young friend's growth be speeded or slowed by being shielded from the fact that there are people different from himself?

The second question was, "You devoted the last part of your column to a description of ideal platonic masculine love. Could you, Charles McCabe, feel such love for a man you know to be Gay?" I thought it was an interesting question. The implications of either answer would seem to border on the staggeringly insignificant.

Strange De Jim
San Francisco

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CAEN'S NO CAIN

★ Thanks for devoting so much valuable space to the non-burning question of whether I am homophobic. Naturally, I was pleased that a majority of those responding decided I wasn't, since I am not, never have been and never will be.

I do plead guilty to occasional lapses of taste and dips into careless "humor" under the pressure of the daily deadline, so I am doubly pleased that many of your readers take these transgressions so good-humoredly.

As for the reactions of your up-tight minority, they are the mirror image of the anti-Gay letters I receive from up-tight straights. Hardly surprising.

All best regards,

Herb Caen
San Francisco

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CAEN FILE

★ In a recent Caen column (*SF Chronicle* columnist Herb Caen) this item ran:

"Poker Flat: Outside a leather bar on Folsom, Ralph Baxter gazed at a couple of menacing-looking sadomaso types dismounting from their Harleys and murmured to Att. Joe Manzella: 'Now there's a pair that would beat any straight!'"

That was an item from a recent Herb Caen column (*SF Chronicle*). It is his supporting the stereotypes again — "on Folsom" means Gay, "sado-maso" means that sado-masochists who ride motorcycles "would beat any straight" implies that Gays who ride motorcycles are prone to violence against straights.

Caen does this frequently and doesn't have a sense of humor.

John Rose
San Francisco

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HAPPY WITH HERB

★ I don't believe that *SF Chronicle* columnist Herb Caen is anti-Gay. He pokes fun, prays, criticizes, at ALL Bay Area people and events — straight and Gay. It is good reading and we should be proud that he does NOT discriminate.

Let's laugh at ourselves sometime!

Joe Mahoney
Reno, Nevada

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A Good Double Header

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★ It has become apparent that we cannot throw ourselves on the mercy of the electorate and certainly less on the mercy of the courts when it comes to deciding the outcome of challenges to our very survival.

The understanding the voters have of Prop. 6 must be that it will not only mandate a witchhunt that certainly will not stop with just Gays nor just teachers but will also create havoc in the schools.

Beyond pointing up the administrative costs of turning all the school boards in the state into inquisition panels along with the threat of labor unrest by abrogating basic job security provisions fought for by the teachers unions over the years, we must further agitate to make it a strike issue among as many school workers, students and even parents as we can.

We must prepare ourselves to enter any school uninvited and hold impromptu seminars on the meaning and dangers of any vendetta that that school may fall prey to.

We must further propagandize for and mobilize around the slogan "NO WITCHHUNT OR ELSE NO SCHOOL" clearly stated as no idle threat or flashy hype but as a fully operational program of action not only in the wake of November 7th but as a basic component to the struggle in preparation for November 7th.

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★ An outfit of uncertain reputation in New York calling itself the National Gay Task Force has been wrong so often about so much that additional proofs become boring. The most recent example of its exercise in bad judgment occurred in Laguna Beach where it held a meeting last month "to assist in the upcoming campaign against the Briggs Initiative in California" (Proposition 6 on the November ballot).

It may sound like a good idea, but, as it turns out, the gathering was made up of a bunch of punch-drunk pugilists who have been previously polished off by Anita Bryant in Miami, St. Paul, Wichita, and Eugene. Rebuilt by voters in those cities of zany arguments for "Gay rights" ordinances have apparently left the proponents of those arguments undismayed.

It is miraculous that after their record of steady losses around the country these itinerant promoters — along with a few of California's own supply of Gay grafters — should have enough confidence to try to inflict their botched and broken strategies on our community. But the regrouping in Laguna Beach was clearly for this purpose: "To provide the opportunity for sharing of information and techniques," and "to adapt many of the printed materials used" in the earlier catastrophes to our situation here. Naturally, the No on 6 forces here will want to take instruction from the example of these losers. For it is precisely their rejected message that we must avoid in devising our own strategies.

Don Slater
Homosexual Information Center, Los Angeles

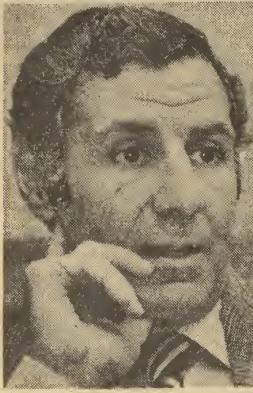
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Deukmejian States 'Prop. 6 Unnecessary'

GOP candidate Senator George Deukmejian, seeking to become State Attorney General, has surprised Gay activists with his statement that "our present laws are adequate to deal with any problems with teachers, whether it's a homosexual teacher or a heterosexual teacher." His response was to a reporter's question about his position on the controversial anti-Gay Briggs initiative.

Deukmejian had once voted against private consensual sex



legislation in California. In 1975 testimony before a Senate committee he had said

that homosexuals in Long Beach, his home base, had made public restrooms into places of sex contact. His legislative position, in general, has been for "law and order." He is in consistent opposition to social legislation.

The senator joins Governor Jerry Brown and gubernatorial candidate Evelle Younger in the position that additional legislation is "not necessary." He is not expected to openly attack the Briggs initiative as being an obvious violation of civil rights — a position taken by his opponent, Yvonne Burke, and both candidates for Lieutenant Governor, Mervyn Dymally and Mike Curb.

In answer to a question at a SF Commonwealth Club meeting, Deukmejian said he was "not aware of any major problem involving homosexual teachers in the classrooms."

Burke recently told the Commonwealth Club of San Francisco that she opposes Prop. 6 "because we already have sufficient laws to protect young people in the schools." She also said that if it passes she would be compelled to support it because "the attorney general must defend all successful initiatives."

Child Sex Fear Used By 'Checkmate'

One of the most homophob-

ic pieces of literature being distributed in California to breed fear of homosexuality is published by "Checkmate — A Voice From the People in the Pews." Thousands are receiving the Vol. 10, No. 9, release that selectively listed 10 cases involving homosexual sex related to children or violence. It also states, accurately, that there are several bathhouses with orgy rooms and 80 Gay bars in San Francisco.

The homosexual cannot change, the pamphlet reveals, unless he/she admits "the need for spiritual help — and this applies also to sins of Sodomy and Oral-Genital deviations — not to exclude the more common of these offenses against God — Prostitution, Fornication, and especially MASTURBATION, which is probably where most of all this started."

The literature calls for a constant vigilance to weed out homosexuals from child-care centers, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, the YMCA, and Big Brothers. A mention is made of the Paedophile Information Exchange in England that "works for the legal and social acceptance of what we call 'child molestation.'"

Checkmate is one of many "born again" groups which distributes materials to emphasize that homosexuality is a sin and that Gay people are attempting to bring children into their lifestyle. It is published in Belmont, California (Box 593).

Ronald Reagan: "NO ON 6"

Ronald Reagan, former Governor of California, has given his position on Proposition 6 in a statement from his Citizens for the Republic organization:

I don't approve of teaching a so-called Gay lifestyle in our schools, but there is already adequate legal machinery to deal with such problems, if and when they arise.

This measure has nothing to do with those special so-called Gay rights issues in Dade County, Florida, and elsewhere. Instead, it has the potential of infringing on basic rights of privacy and perhaps even constitutional rights.

It is cumbersome and has potential for real mischief. For example, it would require that if a complaint is filed against a teacher a full public hearing must be held by the school board. What if an overwrought youngster, disappointed by bad grades, imagined it was the teacher's fault and struck out by accusing the teacher of advocating homosexuality? The school board, sitting — in effect — as a court, would have to judge the matter in public. Innocent lives could be ruined. Under present law, such matters can be investigated first to see if they have any merit.

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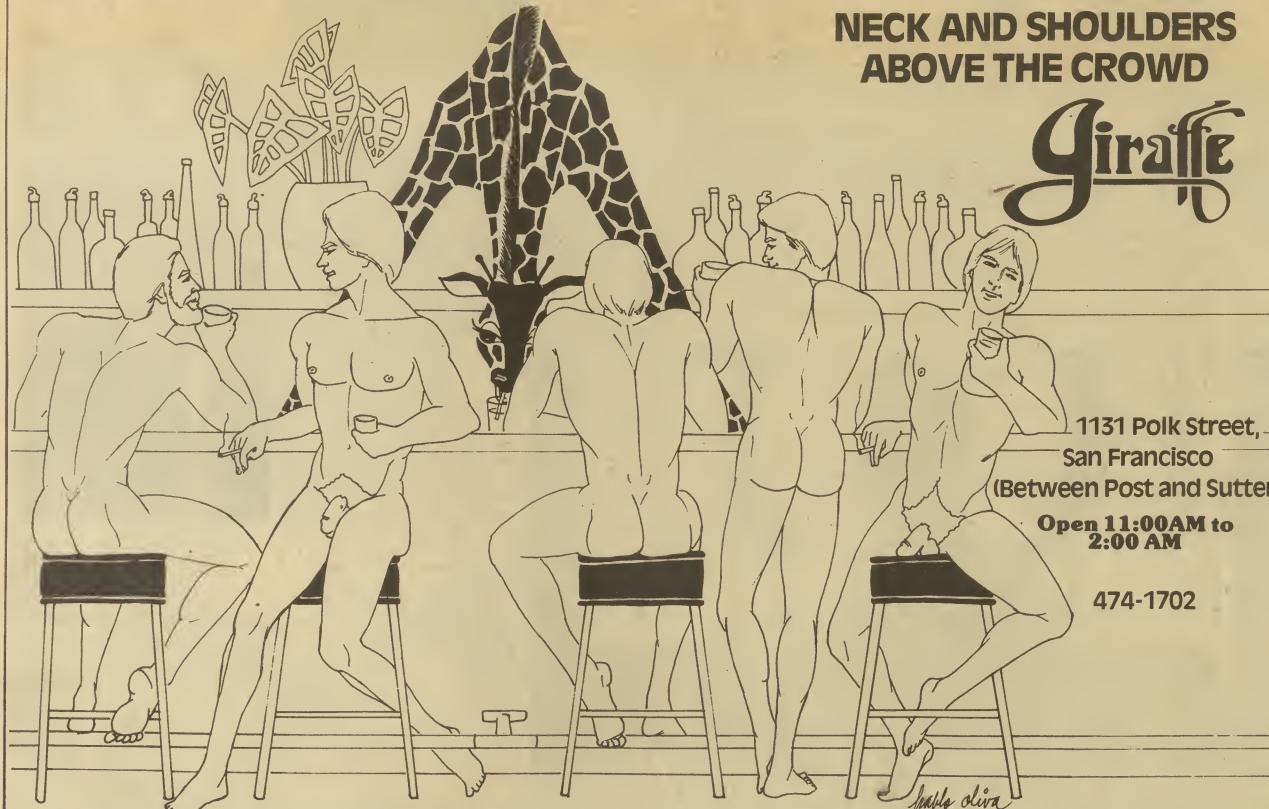
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Boston Analyzes Elaine Noble Loss

by George Mendenhall

Elaine Noble received only 6% of the total vote in the Democratic primary election in Boston. The victor who will challenge incumbent U.S. Senator Edward Brooke in November is U.S. Representative Paul Tsongas.

Noble's obvious minus in the race was her public identification as a Lesbian. She was frequently referred to as "the Lesbian candidate" while her record as a state representative was ignored. Another woman candidate, Kathleen Alioto, who recently married millionaire Joseph Alioto (former mayor of San Francisco), spent an estimated \$150,000 to receive 19% of the total.



Elaine Noble takes 6% of Demo Primary



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Discrimination O.K. Says Attorney General

State Attorney General Evelle Younger has told a group of reporters in San Diego, "I believe you should be able to discriminate, if that's the right word in this case, in hiring policemen. It's the same thing as if you were running a boys' summer camp, where the courts have upheld the right to exclude homosexual employees."

The candidate for Governor said he had fired a homosexual deputy attorney general who engaged in "improper conduct off the job" but was forced to rehire him by the courts.

When quizzed about hiring Gay police officers, Younger said that the courts should rule that discrimination against Gays is proper. He said he would prefer to keep female police officers out of patrol cars "where they may create an obvious problem."

Younger concluded, "If the non-homosexual had halitosis and wore dirty shorts and the homosexual didn't, I'd hire the homosexual — but everything else being equal, I'd appoint the non-homosexual." Discrimination against homosexuals should be lawful."

Tsongas, have both informed *Gay Community News* that they will support Gay rights if elected.

Noble's future is in doubt. One of her closest friends told B.A.R. the state representative still is in office until January, although "she could receive an appointment to a federal position."

During her campaign, Noble traveled across the country raising funds at receptions and establishing new friendships. She had fund-raisers in Los Angeles and San Francisco. B.A.R. has learned, however, that the rumor that Noble will be moving to San Francisco with her lover, Santa Fareri, has been denied.



EDWARD BROOKE
 GOP winner in Massachusetts

cials for one of Noble's opponents, Howard Phillips, which ran on Boston television stations. The subject was anti-abortion as Bryant stayed away from discussing Noble or homosexuality. Noble had stated that Phillips' choice of Bryant was clearly an anti-Gay action. Bryant's presence said to many that Phillips, a well-known activist of the political Right, was anti-homosexual.

Phillips (who spent \$132,000 to garner 8% of the total vote) scheduled a Boston rally with Bryant as the star attraction. Originally, Noble said that she would hold a counter-rally with big name celebrities from Hollywood as a draw, but she later cancelled these plans and urged Gays not to demonstrate at the affair.

Phillips cancelled the rally because "militant homosexuals" had allegedly threatened to disrupt. Some Gay people decided to hold a demonstration anyway (drawing 2,000) with Noble refusing to participate. Brill believes that this action by Noble further hurt her support in the Gay community.

Incumbent Brooke only received 53% of the Republican vote in the primary after a scandal erupted in his divorce action. This harmed him in conservative Boston. Brooke and his Democratic opponent,



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Navy Gay Unit at Monterey?

Military officials deny it, but an admittedly "tremendously anti-Gay" 19-year-old Navy man believes it is so. Seaman Apprentice Edward Pollock told his story to Dick Alexander of the *San Francisco Examiner*.

Pollock is angry because he has been court-martialed for being AWOL for four days. During his hearing, he said that Navy men at the Defense Language Institute at Monterey were openly Gay — even wearing earrings and feminine apparel. He said that young men were solicited by the older



AWOL/court martialed Edward Pollock

men. Pollock has asked Anita Bryant to investigate all of this. She had agreed.

Cmdr. Dayton Dersham, an

official at the school, said Pollock claims that homosexuality was "rampant" there, but that at the time of his dismissal there were only five men under investigation out of 200 enrolled. He said, "I don't consider that rampant. I consider it slight."

U.S. Rep. Leon Panetta (D-Monterey) investigated the school. He said that Dersham informed him that in the last 18 months 38 individuals attached to the Naval Security Group Detachment at Monterey have been investigated for homosexuality; 32 were declared ineligible for access to sensitive information; three were discharged, and three cases were dismissed because of insufficient evidence.

A friend of Pollock's who is now out of the Navy told Alexander, "There are people on duty wearing earrings. The Gays were openly expressing how great it was to be queer." He said that when he complained he was given a psychiatric examination and asked, "Don't you know you're from a Gay unit?"

The reports of homosexuality at the language school remain confused, but Cmdr. Dersham admits, "I don't think we've weeded it out completely."

"To be nobody-but-yourself — in a world which today is doing its best, night and day, to make you everybody else — means to fight the hardest battle which any human being can fight; and never stop fighting."
- e. e. cummings

Cramer, Agnos Will Be Honored by Toklas

A banquet will honor activist Bob Cramer and Assemblyman Art Agnos, the author of significant human rights legislation, in the Garden Court of the Sheraton Palace Hotel on October 5. The event, sponsored by the Alice B. Toklas Democratic Club, will benefit the political War Chest of the club which is spent on candidates and issues which benefit the Gay community.

Toklas voted \$900 from its War Chest in August to fight the anti-Gay Briggs initiative. This was divided between San Franciscans Against Prop. 6 (\$500 to help open its offices), Bay Area Committee Against the Briggs Initiative (\$200) and No on 6 (\$200).

The banquet will begin at 7:00pm when political figures and Gay activists will gather for cocktails. The dinner and program begin at 8:00pm.

Donations for reservations (\$25) may be made by telephoning 861-4881 or sending a check to Toklas Club, 2347 A Market St., SF 94114.



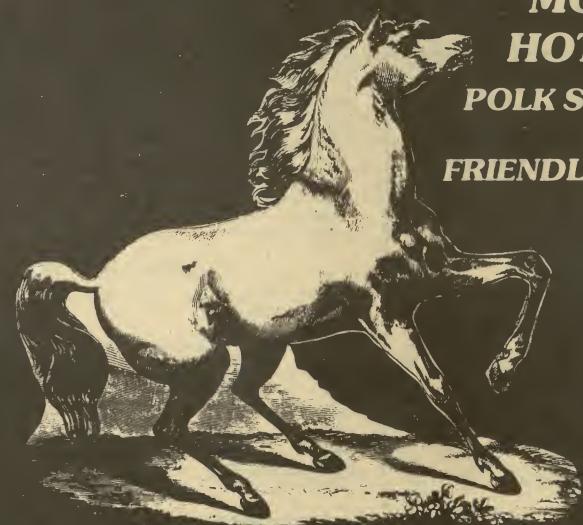
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Libertarian's Clark Blasts Proposition 6

"I'm unequivocally opposed to the Briggs initiative. It interferes with the rights of Gays to their own personal lifestyle and to their rights of free speech. I think there's no grounds for discrimination against them."

This is one of many statements by Atty. Ed Clark, the Libertarian Party's candidate for governor. He is the only candidate for that office who speaks out against Prop. 6 in his prepared speeches, before all audiences.

Republican candidate for governor, Evelle Younger states that he is "neutral" on Prop. 6, while incumbent Jerry Brown believes that the initiative is "unnecessary."



Libertarian's Ed Clark announced strong Gay rights bill stand.

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Clark, who lives in Los Angeles, states that Prop. 6 is Senator Briggs' attempt "to ride the coat-tails of hatred and intolerance into power." He adds, "Prop. 6 is a violation of the First Amendment. Under the terms of this initiative a teacher could be fired for merely stating (in private conversation) that Gays are human beings, too."

Libertarian literature distributed by Clark for Governor states that if Prop. 6 passes, "we will endorse and promote a massive Gay Tax Strike." It asks, "Why should Gays support institutions designed by heterosexuals and for heterosexuals? Why should Gays pay for services they do not receive?"

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Hero Moves Privacy Suit to State Court

Oliver Sipple, who says whether he is Gay or not is nobody's business, has moved his suit against several newspapers and SF Chronicle columnist Herb Caen to the State Supreme Court. Sipple claims that after he deflected a gun being fired at former President Ford in 1975, newspapers printed that he was a Gay person without a knowledge of whether this was true or not.

Some newspapers stated that Sipple was associated with a former Emperor of San Fran-

cisco (a popular title in the Gay community) and he was alleged to have been a bartender in a Gay bar. Assuming, evidently, that Sipple was Gay, he was called the "Gay Hero" when he deflected the gun of Sara Jane Moore outside of the St. Francis hotel.

Two years ago, Superior Court Judge John Benson stopped Sipple from serving summonses to out-of-state newspapers. A state Court of Appeal agreed with this ruling. Now \$15 million invasion of privacy suit asks the High Court to bring the out-of-state newspapers back into the lawsuit.

'FIGHT BRIGGS' SCHEDULE:

Jane Fonda, Boogie, Ballet

This is the current list of events being presented to raise funds to continue the fight against the anti-Gay Proposition 6, sponsored by Sen. John Briggs. The sponsoring group is indicated at the end of each listing. Compiled for B.A.R. by Bruce Pettit.

FRIDAYS

Film Festival: Richelieu Theater, Midnight, \$2.50 — "This Is The Army," Sept. 29; "Rain," Oct. 6; "Hollywood, Hollywood," Oct. 13; "My Man Godfrey," Oct. 20; "Phantom of the Opera," Oct. 27; "The Lady Vanishes," Nov. 3 (BACABI)

SATURDAYS

Film Festival: Gateway Theater, Midnight, \$2.50 — "Coming Attractions," Sept. 30; "Word Is Out," Oct. 7; "Song of the Loon," Oct. 14; "Gay USA," Oct. 21; "Shorts," Oct. 28 (BACABI)

FRIDAY, SEPT. 29

Women's Dance: Linda Tillery & Band, 9pm, 330 Grove Street, \$4, women only (BACABI)

SATURDAY, OCT. 7

Boogie & Ballet: 1978 Disco Champs and Ballet from Dance Spectrum, Midnight, Castro Theater, \$10 (at major agencies) (BACABI)

SUNDAY, OCT. 8

Clip-In: Hairdressers and barbers cut for \$10 a head, statewide, 10am-8pm, call 777-0100 (Oct. 2-6) for appointments (CVC/NO ON 6)

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 11

TV Debate: Harvey Milk and Sally Gearhart vs. John Briggs and another pro-6 debater, 8-9pm, KQED-TV (Channel 9) and other educational TV outlets (BACABI)

Rally & TV Debate: Special program and Giant TV of KQED-TV debate, 7-10pm, Mission High, 18th & Dolores (CVC/NO ON 6 - BACABI)

THURSDAY, OCT. 12

Jane Fonda — In Person: The City, Montgomery at Broadway, 6-9pm, \$15, reservations - 552-4450 (SF Against Prop. 6)

SATURDAY, OCT. 14

Dance: "Sack Briggs" Disco, 9pm, 330 Grove St., \$5 (SF Against Prop. 6)

FRIDAY, OCT. 20

Midge Costanza — In Person: Lunch with the former White House liaison, Noon, The Galleria, Kansas & 15th, \$50, reservations - 777-0100 (CVC/NO ON 6)

SATURDAY, OCT. 21

Mobilization Rally: Details announced later, call 626-9482 (BACABI)

SATURDAY-SUNDAY, OCT. 28-29

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Anti-6 Groups Register 3,000

With only 10 days remaining to register for the Nov. 7 election, campaigns against Proposition 6 are approaching the 3,000 mark in San Francisco voter registrations.

Bill Kraus, co-chair of San Franciscans Against Proposition 6, reports that figure from a combined effort by his group, and by the Bay Area Committee Against the Briggs Initiative (BACABI) and the Alice B. Toklas Democratic Club. The 3,000 figure does not include registrations by the local Democratic and Republican parties — which also oppose the anti-Gay Briggs Initiative.

Volunteers for S.F. Against concentrated their September work in areas of their expected strength — largely Supervisorial District 5 represented by Harvey Milk. Some 12,500 voter registration postcards were distributed; literature was dropped in 49 precincts, and actual canvassing — talking door-to-door to voters — was done in 20 precincts.

October attention will shift steadily to middle-of-the-road precincts — areas that could go either way on Prop. 6. Kraus said there would be massive canvassing the weekend of Oct. 28-29 in 350 computer-selected precincts (among the city's 912).

Kraus stresses that it is most beneficial for people to canvass in their own neighborhoods. The Richmond, in particular, could be a swing area.

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SF Examiner Attacks 6

"Prop. 6 is so vague and imprecise that it is ripe for the prospects of endless, costly litigation . . . The disruptive certainty of suit after suit and the accompanying stream of bitter recriminations, bringing out the worst in each adversary, is a

Victory for Congressman Who Admits Gay Proposition

Rep. Frederick Richmond, 54, (D - N.Y.) was arrested in Washington, D.C., early this year. He was charged with soliciting sex from a Black male, 16. Richmond was released by a judge into psychiatric care after the incident. He openly admitted the incident in a letter to his constituents.

Was this the end of Richmond's career? In this month's September primaries in his Brooklyn constituency he overwhelmed his opponent to win the Democratic slot for November election. He received 51.3% of the total vote with his nearest opponent, Bernard Gifford, receiving 31.7%. In his last contest (1976) Richmond fared better (79.3%) but considering the circumstances the victory is considered substantial.

The unmarried Richmond had written to Brooklynites "for compassion and understanding at this extremely difficult time." Twenty members of the House

prospect California schools can ill afford."

This is the opinion expressed by the editors of the *San Francisco Examiner* on September 12. The *Examiner* joined the *SF Chronicle*, the *Los Angeles Times*, and the *Sacramento Bee* in denouncing the proposition.

"Prop. 6 turns on the signal

KCBS Says "No on 6"

This is the "NO ON 6" position broadcast ten times in the past week by the local CBS radio outlet, KCBS. It was from the desk of the editorial director, Sydney Nickerson:

Here's the way Proposition 6 begins: "One of the most fundamental interests of the State is the establishment and the preservation of the family unit."

Here's the way it could end: legalized witch hunts and tangles of red tape.

The initiative would effectively legalize firing homosexual teachers and any heterosexual colleagues who support or tolerate homosexuality.

It opens the door to character assassination and invasion of privacy. Teachers should be hired and fired based on ability to teach, not on private habits.

Proponents say teachers are also role models. But parents are stronger role models for children than are teachers. And remember, homosexuals have heterosexual parents.

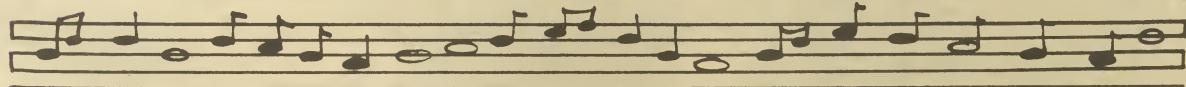
Prop. 6 could cost taxpayers a fortune in administrative hearings and substitute educators. More red tape, more expense.

The Education Code already forbids teachers from making sexual advances or from promoting their sexual lifestyles in the classroom. Nobody convicted of a sexual crime can be licensed to teach. Most important, school boards throughout the state report no problem.

If we want to legislate preservation of the family unit, let's do it through economic incentives. We could, for instance, revamp welfare to encourage rather than discourage two-parent families. Let's not try to improve society by picking easy scapegoats. Vote NO on Proposition 6.



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A Christian Church Serving our Gay Community

Rev. Perry Bumps Into Anita Bryant

Rev. Troy Perry, founder of Metropolitan Community Church, recently met Anita Bryant in a dining room of the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Dallas. They had a five-minute conversation which Perry described as "cordial."

Perry has been traveling across country appearing at fund-raisers to defeat Prop. 6 in California. His fast in Los Angeles earlier in the year raised close to \$100,000 to fight the initiative from MCC congregations around the world.

Perry had an anonymous telephone call two hours before his dinner party in the hotel, according to *Gay Community News*, informing him that Bryant had coincidentally made a reservation for the same hour. Bryant was in Dallas to receive an award from the Veterans of Foreign Wars organization.

Bryant was seated with the Commander of the Texas VFW, who informed her that someone was standing at the table who wished to talk with her. When she turned around her smile froze in place as she heard Perry explain to her who he was — the founder of the largest Gay church in the world.

Perry suggested to Bryant that they hold a mutual press conference to discuss their differing views on Gay liberation. She seemed to think that was a good idea. Frank Zerilli, Los Angeles activist and an associate of Perry, states that the MCC office is attempting to arrange a specific date and place.

Anita Cancels But 2,000 Gays Rally

BOSTON — The Gay community marched and cheered its speakers in Copley Square on September 1, although Anita Bryant had cancelled her rally nearby. The Bryant show was to be for Howard Phillips, an extreme Right candidate for Congress. Phillips claimed that "militant homosexuals" had threatened to do physical harm to those attending.

Bryant and her husband, Bob Green, looked down from their 4th floor room at a Copley Square hotel at the peaceful but vocal crowd of Gay people. Elaine Noble, the well known Lesian candidate who opposed Phillips, had said earlier that she might conduct a rally of her own in opposition to Bryant. Instead, Noble and the Gay Business Association urged Gays not to rally and to ignore the visitor, according to *GayLife*.

Robin Tyler, Lesbian comedienne from California,

Bryant & Christian Cause Use Briggs to Raise \$\$\$

Anita Bryant has announced that she has no intention of joining Senator John Briggs in his California campaign against Gay school employees. Although Briggs visited her in Miami during her campaign, she states that she feels no obligation to repeat the gesture. Bryant revealed that she did not ask Briggs to come to Miami "because it was a local issue," but he came anyway.

Bryant has used the homosexual issue and the repeal efforts in St. Paul, Wichita and Seattle in her *Protect America's Children* magazine to stir support for her own organization. She has praised Briggs' efforts in California and supports the initiative, but she asks that money to fight the "sinful lifestyle of homosexuality" be sent to her own organization — not to Briggs' "California Defend Our Children."

"Your sacrificial gift of \$25, \$35, \$50, \$100 or whatever can give a hopeless homosexual real hope and a new life through God's healing love," is her plea. The money is to be sent to *Protect America's Children* (formerly *Save Our Children*) in Miami. She states that she wants to open Christian Counseling Centers to help homosexuals and "these

centers may never open if I cannot raise the first \$250,000 to begin our first project here in Miami. Send a gift right away."

American Christian Cause, a national "born again" group headquartered in Pasadena, uses both Briggs and Bryant in its fund-raising appeals. It praises both — calling Bryant "courageous" and says, "Thank God, she didn't give up — in spite of heartbreaking persecution." Christian Cause uses mailing lists from the political Right and signs its mail by a Rev. Robert Grant. It asks for \$25 contributions "within 10 days" to bring the television message that homosexuals are child molesters. It states, "Homosexual newspapers across the country are now openly proclaiming the glories of 'boy love' with adult men." Listed as Special Consultant to Christian Cause is former Los Angeles police chief Ed Davis.

With photos of small children lining its plea for funds, Cause pleads to the reader, "Take a stand to protect our children and our way of life against the attack of the militant homosexuals. Send \$25 now." Cause, like Bryant, urges that money be sent to it and not to Briggs' group. American Christian Cause is at Box 1067, Pasadena, CA.

Gay Prisoners Challenge D.C. Jail Discrimination

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Conditions that once existed at San Francisco County Jail are now being protested in an action taken by four Gay prisoners here. They are demanding a hearing before being segregated into the "Gay cell" which they charge results in unjust and discriminatory treatment.

"Several consequences follow the decision to place an alleged homosexual in segregation" according to their suit. Gay prisoners in the nation's capital are denied work details which result in shorter sentences, denied use of the prison library and law library (thus denied legal aid), restricted in visiting rights, given inferior medical care, and treated as less than human by guards and other prisoners.

Many of these same conditions existed for Gay prisoners

at the San Francisco County Jail at San Bruno before the election of Sheriff Richard Hongisto. Improved conditions for SF Gay prisoners began with the election of Hongisto and improvements have continued under his successor, Sheriff Eugene Brown.

San Francisco homosexuals have not protested segregation in the city and county jails. Effeminate, significantly young and old, and admittedly Gay men are segregated in order to protect them from the general jail population where rape and abuse are not uncommon.

SF Sheriff Brown continues to support the right of Gay prisoners and has continued the Gay Advisory Board to the Sheriff which was initiated under Hongisto. Brown rode in the Gay Freedom Day Parade in June.

of Boston's *Gay Community News* were ransacked. The only missing item was a portable radio. The contents of file cabinets were dumped on the floor.

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Democrats — No on 6 Republicans — Neutral

The California Democratic Party's statewide executive board has officially recommended a NO vote on Prop. 6 while Mike Montgomery, Republican chair of the State G.O.P. Central Committee, successfully kept the issue out of state G.O.P. convention considerations.

Gerry Parker, statewide chair of the CDP Gay Caucus, wrote the Democratic resolution and successfully lobbied it through the state meeting. He was supported by Elmer Wilhelm, San Francisco Minutemen; Jim Foster, SF activist, and Los Angeles Democrats Clayton Wells and Dr. Newton Deiter. Outspoken in support of the resolution was Wally Alberton, president of the California Democratic Council.

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MIKE MONTGOMERY
State GOP Chairman

votes to consider the issue.

The G.O.P. state meet did pass two significant resolutions: It opposed the extension of the deadline for the Equal Rights Amendment and recommended against confirming Rose Bird for another term as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. (Bird is considered by many Gay activists as a possible YES vote in declaring Prop. 6 unconstitutional if it becomes law.)

"I'm ducking Prop. 6," Montgomery admits. "I've seen candidates win or lose elections by being tied to the positions on propositions." He added that he was determined that the G.O.P. not take a position on the initiative.

U.S. Survey Asks About Rights, Abuse

The U.S. Commission on Civil Rights is including Gay rights in its survey of national attitudes about civil liberty issues for the first time. It is also studying police practices in the United States, including the police treatment of Gay people. The study and survey were urged by the National Gay Task Force.

Documentation of police treatment of Gays is sought by the NGTF for the commission's research. The material compiled may be used to change government policies and effect legislative change.

Readers are being requested to send information about police harassment, unequal enforcement of laws, entrapment, crimes against Gays and discriminatory practices to the NGTF, 80 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York 10011.



B.A.R. publisher Bob Ross wins contest for Emperor VII
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Bay Area Reporter has obtained the confidential inner-office memo by Attorney General Evelle Younger, G.O.P. candidate for Governor, on the anti-Gay Proposition 6. The report is NOT circulated as a position paper. Attempts to obtain the statement through regular press and political contacts in the Younger campaign had failed, although B.A.R. knew of the statement's existence.

Younger's public position is that he is "neutral." He states that Prop. 6 "would not harm anyone." In the document obtained by B.A.R. he adds, "Society can tolerate but should not encourage activity between consenting adults in private." He also believes that adult homosexuals should not be permitted to "exercise any control or supervision over children which promotes homosexuality or attempts to portray it as a legitimate 'alternate lifestyle.'"



Evelle Younger

Attorney General Evelle Younger here:

I neither support nor oppose the initiative.

However — it isn't necessary. Current law provides that homosexual teachers may be dismissed if their sexual preferences can be shown to impair their teaching ability.

California law does not require that homosexuals be permitted to

teach in the public schools. On the contrary, as recently as 1969, our highest court stated, ". . . we do not, of course, hold that homosexuals must be permitted to teach in the public schools." (Morrison v. Board of Education, 1 Cal. 3d 214 (1969)).

pair a teacher's ability to teach, thus rendering the teacher unfit. Unfitness is also present if, due to homosexual activity, the teacher has become an object of ridicule or disrespect among the students, parents, or peers in the teaching profession.

Continued support for and encouragement of the traditional American family relationship is not only necessary for our continued growth and development; it is essential to our survival as a nation. Society should neither encourage nor, where children are concerned, permit activity calculated or likely to increase the number of homosexuals.

Homosexuals cannot legitimately be considered an ethnic minority; but they should not be persecuted solely because of their status.

Society can tolerate but should not encourage homosexual activity between consenting adults in private. Society should not tolerate homosexual activity between an adult and a juvenile; nor should society tolerate conduct by adult homosexuals exercising any control or supervision over children which promotes homosexuality or attempts to portray it as a legitimate "alternate lifestyle."



BACABI volunteer pins the Governor.

BACABI SURPRISES GOV. BROWN

A startled Governor Jerry Brown has a NO ON 6 button planted firmly in his lapel by the BACABI Voter Registration chair, Richard Smutney. The BACABI volunteer had a booth in front of the Emporium on Market Street when the Governor walked by with 200 news people.

"We appreciate your support against Proposition 6, Governor. Here is a button to show others that you are against it," Smutney told California's top official . . . Brown smiled and replied, "Oh, I am very much against Proposition 6, but I cannot wear a button right now." Later he told the news media, "I do not wear buttons."

Smutney observed that it took Brown several minutes to remove the button as the cameras rolled. The incident received attention on radio and television programs and in newspapers.

Brown has stated that "the Briggs initiative is overkill. It would lead to witch-hunts. It's another Briggs gimmick to promote disunity and stir up a lot of ill will in this state."

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Four years ago I wrote a column on the then race for Governor. I was not sold on Jerry Brown, but took the stand that the most important things that a Governor of a state does are appointments to the State Supreme Court. With the possibility that Prop. 6 might pass — and, if so, it will be brought to the courts — this concept of gubernatorial appointments is more important than ever.

The present Chief Justice is one of Jerry Brown's appointments, Rose Bird. I feel much more comfortable with her on the bench than anyone appointed by any Republican Governor.

Four years ago I stated that the Gay community had better stop voting its pocketbook and look at the issues that really affect it. What good is a state or nation that is in excellent fiscal shape, free of problems, etc., if you, as a Gay person, are in jail? For too long, too many Gays have voted for fiscal conservatives only to find out, too late, that these same conservatives were not true conservatives seeking limited government control but the opposite . . . fiscal self-servers who wanted strong government control of the lives of people. These same people who called themselves conservatives turned out to be "closet" racist, sexist and certainly anti-Gay. That while they appealed to minority voters on some economic issues, they were deep down against these very same groups.

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Up until last week it was hard to pinpoint, with upfront statements, what many members of the Republican Party really stood for . . . we only had a "feeling." The party leaders had been careful in what they said in public. Then the dam broke. In one week the Republican Party and its leadership stated for the record where they stand on the minority issues and, in particular, the Gay issue. So the challenge is out to the Gay Republicans and Gay conservatives to question themselves to see if they can really support a party and leadership that took these stands:

1. Against the ERA.
2. Against bussing.
3. Against giving the people of Washington, D.C., a voice in Congress.
4. Against Rose Bird.
5. Against income taxes.
6. Against Gays being police.
7. Against women being on-line police officers.
8. Afraid to say "No on 6."

Let's look at these points:

A. Against the ERA . . . the Republican Party is saying that women should not have the equal rights that men have . . . I won't even comment on that type of stone-age mentality.

B. Against bussing . . . of course, a lot of people are against this . . . mostly people who do not want white youths to go to school with Black youths . . . they come up with every kind of argument they can think of and then say that they are not against integration. But they have never done anything about helping to overcome a problem that has prevented all youths from getting an equal opportunity in life.

C. Against giving the people in D.C. a voice in Congress . . . D.C. has a larger population than many states, and that those people have no say is okay with the Republicans. (By the way, it would, in all probability, mean two more Black U.S. Senators in Congress, and maybe that is what they really don't want to happen.)

D. Against Rose Bird . . . Voting for her to remain as Chief Justice is the same thing as voting against Prop. 6. As a Gay person, I want Rose Bird on that court if 6 gets there. This attack is an attack against women and Gays. There was no cry from the Republicans when Nixon tried to appoint incompetent people to the U.S. Supreme Court.

E. Against income tax . . . as long as income taxes went for highway expansion, airports, federal aid to large farmers, etc., there was no cry from the Republican Party to do away with this tax. Now that income tax is going for aid to seniors, poor people and Gays, all of a sudden there is no need for an income tax. As long as the Republicans and Establishment had control of where the taxes should be spent — on their projects — the tax was okay . . . now that the disenfranchised and, in particular, the Gays are getting a piece of their own tax dollar back, all of a sudden the tax is no good.

F. Gays cannot be police . . . the Republican candidate for Governor says that Gays cannot be police, that Gays in non-police duty have to be better than non-Gays to get the job, and that women cannot be on-line police officers. We know his statements are just an extension of John Briggs'. Briggs does not want Gays as teachers. Younger does not want Gays as police. Gay doctors, Gay lawyers — you'll probably be next . . .

How can any person who understands history . . . Hitler

Nixon . . . McCarthy . . . can even think about voting for Younger is beyond me. Think of what he says about Gays. Think of what kind of people he would appoint to judgeships. Women must also understand where he wants to put them — Gays back into the closet and women back into the kitchen.

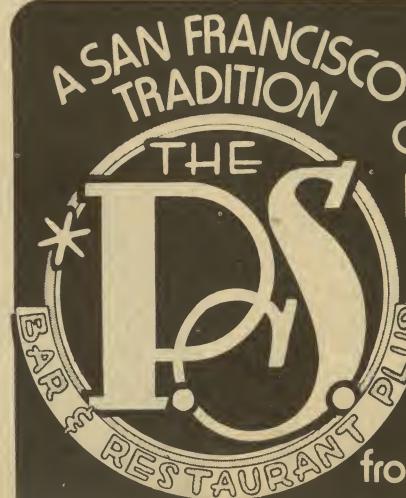
I think that it is long overdue for conservative Gays and women to stand up and say that the Republican Party and Younger have indeed gone too far. That the economic issues that they stand for cannot balance out their bigoted concepts. And let's face it, neither the Republican Party nor the

Democratic Party has ever really been able to do anything about the economic issues anyway. Eisenhower, Nixon, Reagan, Ford — none of them really did anything economically for the average person or the nation. They have talked a lot; but their records — as well as Johnson's, Kennedy's and Carter's — when it comes to the economic issues, stink. Thus, it comes down to who is for women, Gays, Blacks, and who is against us . . . Younger and the Republicans have stated their contempt of Gays and women clearly. There is no choice but to return the message.

People are talking about all kinds of things



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Politics & People

Brown for Governor

Wayne Friday

Immediately after the June Primary, in answer to those who asked who I was supporting for Governor, I wrote that I would support the candidate who spoke out the strongest against the Briggs Initiative. Like many Gay Democrats, I was actually looking for a reason to support someone other than the incumbent Governor in November.

At best, Jerry Brown has been a mediocre Governor — one who has pussyfooted all over the place on Gay rights and only came out against the Briggs scheme when pushed

in the Primary. Younger said

the Briggs Initiative was wrong — certainly his position then was prompted by the fact his major Primary opponents, including the anti-Gay L.A. Police Chief Ed Davis, had stated their opposition to Prop. 6. But when all of those votes came in favor of Proposition 13 the Attorney General mistakenly assumed that those were all conservative Republican votes, and further assumed that they would also, no doubt, be against anything like rights for Gay teachers; and the Republican nominee then backed off his original stand on



Governor Jerry Brown

into a corner and forced to do so. In no sense of the imagination could one say that Governor Brown is a strong proponent of Gay rights. His has been the convenient attitude of "get off my back" — "yes, I oppose the Briggs Initiative; okay, are you satisfied?" Left alone and not pushed on the subject, Jerry Brown would have, no doubt, never spoken out against Briggs. But, being forced to speak on the subject, the Governor, with the least fanfare possible, DID speak out against Proposition 6. The fact remains, he has now spoken out clearly against Proposition 6 — something his Republican opponent, Attorney General Evelle Younger, refuses to do.

During the Republican Primary campaign Younger did say he opposed the Briggs scheme; but since winning the nomination, he has dropped his opposition to Briggs and says his position now is one of "neutrality;" hoping, of course, to straddle the political fence and avoid offending both opponents and proponents of the Briggs scheme. Not good enough, Mr. Younger; you can't have it both ways. When facing the more liberal Ken Maddy and Mayor Pete Wilson

Briggs. Now, the Attorney General says, as recently as this past week, that "I'm neutral. I say it isn't necessary. Our present laws are adequate." So, if our present laws are indeed adequate, why doesn't the Republican nominee simply say he is opposed to the Briggs Initiative. Frankly, I think Evelle Younger will end up voting for Proposition 6, and for his position on this he must be defeated.

Only last week the true colors of Evelle Younger surfaced when he told a press conference he feels it is okay to "discriminate" against Gays when it comes to hiring them as police officers. Isn't that some kind of standard for a man who seeks to be elected to our state's highest office to set — discrimination? In my eyes, Younger is every bit as much a bigot as either John Briggs or Anita Bryant. Any man who seeks my vote and then cannot assure me I will not be discriminated against under his administration clearly does not deserve to hold public office.

Younger MUST be defeated and I call upon Gay men and women across this state to make sure he meets that de-

feat. Evelle Younger is nothing more than a John Briggs in a tweed suit, and we must all make sure he is retired to private life in November.

Governor Brown is clearly the better candidate; and we must do what we can, each of us, Gay and straight alike, to see that he defeats Younger in November.

POLITICS & POKER...

Harvey Milk and Frank Fitch were elected as delegates to the Demo Party mid-term convention from Districts 5 and 6 — the confab will be held in Memphis in December . . . Fitch, meanwhile, picking up all kinds of endorsements in his race for Charter Commission . . . actress Jane Fonda will appear at a fundraiser Oct. 12 to benefit San Franciscans Against Prop. 6 (\$15 per person — 552-4450 for info) . . . Supervisor John Molinari threatening to bolt the GOP because of the official party position on the Briggs Initiative . . . Supervisor Dan White, often criticized by the Gay community, deserves thanks for his cash contribution (\$100) to help fight Prop. 6 . . . meanwhile, Mayor Moscone, speaking to a crowd of nearly 1,000 at 1:30 in the morning at the Castro Theater fundraiser, brought the house to its feet when he said he is "proud to represent the city of S.F. and particularly its Gay community" . . . Elaine Noble failed miserably (came in last) in her bid for Demo Senate nomination in Mass. — rumors have her planning to move to San Francisco now — oh, well, Elaine, the grass is always greener, etc. . . . the Sentinel's Tom Edwards' column last week on Younger a beauty . . . Bob Cramer sponsoring a "Sack Briggs" ball at the Gay Community Center Oct. 14 . . . Republican George Deukmejian thought to be leading Yvonne Burke in race for Attorney General . . . close friends predicting Milton Marks will run for Mayor again next year . . . Mike Henderson, running against Willie Brown, picking up a lot of Gay support . . . Proposition 5 a silly law that should be beaten . . . Sally Gearhart and Harvey Milk will debate Briggs and one of his cronies on KQED, Channel 9, October 11 at 8:00pm — Milk, incidentally, still getting congrats on the way he creamed Briggs in the Walnut Creek debate . . . City Hall gossips say Ron Pelosi has become the invisible Supervisor — Pelosi has long wanted to land a better job in Sacramento and is seldom seen around City Hall these days . . .

Gay Phone Book Planned

The Pride Foundation announces that it will publish a Gay Area Telephone Directory which will include White Pages for those who wish their names (real or assumed) listed and a Yellow Pages for businesses.

Further information may be obtained from Pride at (415) 863-9893.

CAROL RUTH SILVER

"Gays fragmented" is the natural refrain of the popular press as it receives invitations to three (at least) different events for three different No on 6 committees.

Shouldn't the anti-Briggs fight be combined under one umbrella organization, to save costs and duplication?

Not necessarily.

Let us observe that Gays are not immune from the natural condition of man and woman-kind: factionalization, stratification, and the herd instinct.

There are those in the moneyed set, both Gay and liberal straights, who will only respond to the three-button image, and can be attracted to fund-raisers at Nob Hill hotels.

There are also those who as a point of pride do not own a tie and wouldn't be caught dead talking to the first set (outside business hours, of course).

And then there are the politicos who will talk to anyone but drop outs and cop outs., the apathetic, or people who eat at McDonalds. And then there are... but that's enough.

Stars Avoiding Proposition 6 Exposure

LOS ANGELES — Support is being received from Hollywood celebrities but not as extensively as had been hoped by the firm that is running the NO ON 6 campaign for Concerned Voters of California here.

Contributions have been received from Paul Newman, Shirley MacLaine, Carol Burnett and Natalie Wood. A CVC dinner in San Francisco featured Paul Winfield and Ed Asner. However, California law requires a public disclosure (names, addresses) of all who give over \$49 has hampered fund-raising.

"We get a lot of \$49 checks," David Mixner of Mixner/Scott Associates told the *Los Angeles Times*. Peter Scott added, "We have the largest first-name volunteer list in the history of politics."

Hollywood Director Henry Jaglin and his wife held a celebrity reception for NO ON 6 but most well-known entertainment industry figures who normally attend such functions refused to attend. Jaglin told the *Times*, "Celebrities who were involved in the civil rights, anti-war and women's rights movements said absolutely no."

Jaglin said that one very famous movie star told him, "I

SF College Board Attacks Prop. 6

San Francisco Community College Board members have unanimously urged defeat of the Briggs Amendment.

Board Member John Riordan characterized the initiative as demeaning to students, teachers and school administrators.

"The initiative treats teachers as moral lepers and sets up a modern Torquemada to deal with charges, innuendos and name callings. It seeks to revive the pain and horror of the McCarthy era — this is a costly and socially unwise measure which must be rejected," Riordan said.

Any way you categorize one of the various communities within the community of potential supporters of No on 6, probably it is worth having a special separate Against committee. Greeks Against, Straight Mothers of Twins Against, Telephone Operators Against, Left-Handed Lesbians Against, Bay-View Residents Against, and so forth.

The desired effect is to reach out on a one-to-one basis, and for that, the more committees the better.

So pick a committee, any committee. Don't let the choice be an excuse for not choosing.

Remember what's on the line. The rumor around Sacramento is that if Proposition 6 wins, next jobs to exclude Gays will be cops and fire fighters, then all civil service jobs.

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think two or three years from now my name on this might affect producers or studio heads." When Jaglin told him, "Well, you're not Gay," he replied, "No, but they won't know that for sure."

One hundred people did attend the Jaglin reception, but Jaglin reports "many of them were women, who are less apprehensive than men."

A behind-the-scenes Lesbian group, Southern California Women, had a walkout recently when a TV crew appeared to film their vote on Proposition 6. SCW's president, Myra Riddell, told the *Times* that many in the organization are professional women — well-known in the entertainment, business and educational communities — who want to remain activists but whose employment is threatened.

"I feel strongly that whether we win or lose, the objective is to fight," said one Hollywood personality, "because this could eventually extend to Gay journalists, Gay publicists, Gay whatever. If you don't put up a battle, it's like you deserve it if you lose."

The American Civil Liberties Union of Northern California is attempting to have the courts declare the "50 Disclosure" section of the state law unconstitutional. The ACLU suit states that many homosexuals or parties who wish to contribute to NO ON 6 are hampered by the public disclosure aspect of state law.

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John Napier Eaves, Jr., project manager for a peninsula engineering consulting firm, received notification recently that his application for a secret level security clearance has been approved, despite his homosexuality.

Hearing Examiner David Henretta of the Industrial Security Clearance Review Office, an arm of the Department of Defense, found that Eaves' homosexual activities constitute "sexual perversion" according to the Department of Defense, but that it is, nevertheless, "clearly consistent" with the national interest to

grant the applicant's security clearance.

Eaves' attorney, Jerel McCrary — a member of Coles, Knutson and McCrary and a volunteer attorney for the public interest law firm of Gay Rights Advocates of San Francisco — believes the decision demonstrates a change in attitude by the Department of Defense. Said McCrary, "I do not believe the Department of Defense can adhere to its previous policy of denying security clearances to applicants simply on the basis of sexual preference. The Department may still harass individual Gay applicants by requiring them to prove their fitness at clearance hearings, as was done with Eaves, but recent court decisions have forced the government to admit that homosexuality in itself does not prove or indicate unreliability."

A major reason Eaves received a favorable determination, according to McCrary, was his openness about his lifestyle. Eaves had previously discussed his sexual preference with his employer, family and friends, thus the government's major contention — that he might reveal classified information to prevent disclosure or avoid blackmail — was completely illogical, said attorney McCrary.



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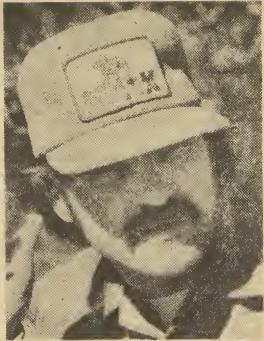
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The government has ten days to appeal Henretta's decision to an appeal board of Industrial Security Clearance Review.

The Defense Department action is an example of changes being made in policy in regard to homosexuality within the federal government. Franklin Kameny, longtime Washington, D.C., activist, and the National Gay Task Force have been working behind-the-scenes to effect these changes.



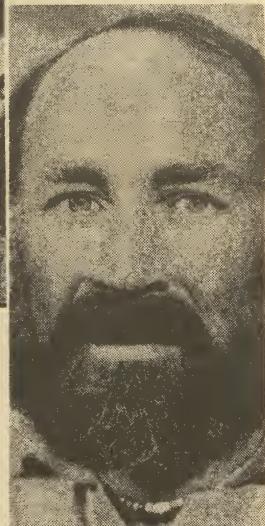
Thomas Connolly —
leads effort to fire Berner.

er's classroom. He says, "I've got nothing personal against this man. It's just that I don't want my kid around someone who's an admitted homosexual. It is my religious beliefs that are the issue."

Lee Lee is the chair of the Healdsburg Elementary School District Board — which has supervision over Berner, a third grade teacher. She believes, "This is a spiritual problem. It's not that this poor little teacher wants to teach his kids but it's that this man wants to organize a state campaign in support of an immoral, ungodly lifestyle."



Jim Duncan, who wants his child out
of Berner's reach.



Larry Berner, Healdsburg teacher.

small community in Northern California near Santa Rosa. When a local elementary school teacher, Larry Berner, wrote an anti-gay letter to a Gay newspaper which was reported in a daily newspaper. Since then he has been the center of a local controversy.

Thomas Connolly is heading the effort to have Berner dismissed from his job. He is supported by John Duncan, who will not permit Berner's school to place his son in his classroom.

Connolly, 33, is a "born again" in the Christian Life Center Church of Santa Rosa who believes that Gays should stay in the closet. He states, "If Berner had kept his mouth shut and just did what he's paid to do and minded his own business, I'd have minded my own business. The bible is the word of God and is infallible. We don't accept thievery, and prostitution has not been accepted on a moral scale — why should we accept homosexuality?"

Duncan went to Berner's school to make sure that his son was not in the Gay teach-

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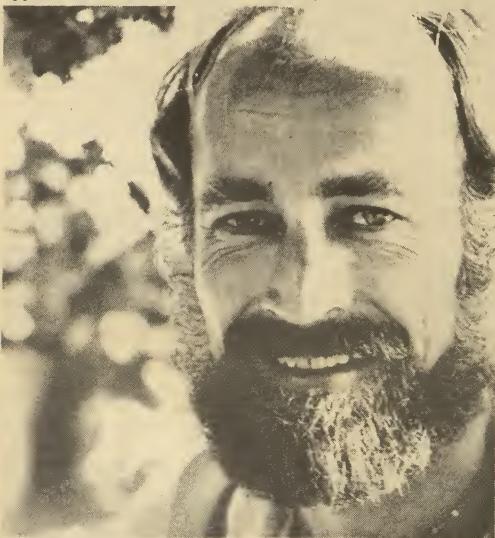
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Handbook Rebuttals

Healdsburg Teacher Used by Briggs in Handbook Rebuttal

State Senator John Briggs has used the "coming out" of a Gay teacher in Healdsburg as an example of why people should vote YES to ban Gay school employees. His argument will appear in the Voters Handbook, distributed to voters as a rebuttal to the NO argument appearing in the handbook. (Both arguments appeared in full in the last issue of B.A.R.)



Larry Brenner, for five years a teacher in Sonoma, came out recently and has been the center of controversy over the Prop. 6 initiative. Three families have pulled their children out of Brenner's school, but 30 staff members have asserted their support of Brenner. The local school board supported Briggs, 4-1. The full story about Brenner appeared first in B.A.R. (Vol. 8, No. 11) in an article by Bruce Pettit.

This is Briggs rebuttal to the Anti-6 position. It is signed by the senator; Dr. Ray Batema, Central Baptist Church; and F. LaGard Smith, a professor of law. This is what voters will read in the voters handbook as the Briggs rebuttal:

The homosexuals and their supporters tell us the present law is just fine.

Well, let them tell that to the citizens of Healdsburg, California. They know better.

This quiet little town in the Sonoma wine country has been fighting unsuccessfully to remove a second grade teacher who has openly admitted his homosexuality and has campaigned publicly to keep homosexual teachers in our public schools.

School officials tell parents their hands are tied; the existing law leaves them powerless to deal with the problem.

In desperation, twelve families have removed their children from the school rather than expose them to the example of an openly homosexual teacher.

Four of the five members of the Healdsburg school board have voted to support Proposition 6. They see it as the last hope for restoring to parents the freedom to control their own schools.

A small but powerful group of militant homosexuals is determined to impose its lifestyle on the majority of decent citizens. Just who is really being harassed, the homosexual advocates or the public?

According to homosexual leaders, many homosexual teachers have kept silent until now, but if Proposition 6 fails they will "go public" and announce their lifestyle to the world, thus providing their students with a living example of the acceptability of the homosexual way of life.

So the next time someone tells you "It can't happen here" tell him to talk to the parents of Healdsburg. Those parents know we need Proposition 6.

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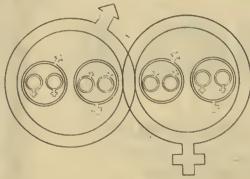


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OAKLAND

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Paragon) starting at 7:00pm. A \$6.00 donation at the door and all monies go to charity. For tickets or other information call 327-6768.

Coming up October 31, a big Halloween bash gets underway as the friendly folks at the Toyon, 1035 S. Saratoga-Sunnyvale Road, San Jose, celebrate their Grand Opening.

MONTEREY

Don't forget the Monterey Coronation Ball on Sept. 30. "Fantasy Flight" is the theme. It starts at 7:30pm at the F.D.E.S. Lodge in Monterey. Call (408) 372-1404 for ticket or reservation info.

MODESTO

Modesto's Coronation is coming up the weekend of Oct. 20-22. Lots of hot candidates are running for office this year, and Modesto always has a hot coronation. For further details call (209) 874-2282.

A few weeks ago a benefit for Prop. 6 was held at the Mustang Club. The version of "Dames At Sea" presented by Elaine Barranger and her troupe was excellent and was one of the funniest versions I have ever seen. Hope to see them do it again.

LAKE TAHOE

Sorry to say that Jack Luce, one of the owners of the Turf Club, is in the hospital. He is resting well and will be out soon. Those who wish to send cards or flowers may send them c/o the Turf Club, 22517 Mission Blvd., Hayward.

A new Gay resort opened here recently. Located on the North Shore, the resort is called the Inn-Tahoe and features hot tub/jacuzzi and complete remodeling, with 16 rooms and accommodations for 50 people. This will be a nice addition to the holiday spots in the Tahoe area.

SAN DIEGO

A \$5,000 suit alleging sex discrimination was filed against the Pacific Beach Motel. Jack Jones and Ryan Hatch made reservations well in advance, but after they arrived, the elderly couple who own the Pacific Beach Motel realized they had rented the room to two men. The owners informed Jack and Ryan that it was against policy to rent a room to two men and turned

October 1 Lady Richard will sponsor her second annual retirement show at the Tinkers Damn starting at 7:30pm. A \$2.00 donation is requested and all monies go towards the fight against Prop. 6.

October 7 the annual Cowboy/Cowgirl contest, sponsored by Mr. Cowboy Van and Miss Cowgirl Mickey and Wagon Wheel, will be held at the Let's Go Disco (the old

them away even though many attempts were made to persuade the owners that they would not destroy the room or drag in a couple of women (hookers) to have a good time.

Spending a weekend in San Francisco, try the Casa Loma Hotel at Fell and Fillmore. It's clean, inexpensive and convenient.

Berkeley Ordinance Tops Them All

BERKELEY — The new ordinance granting equality

ordinance granting equality to Gay people adopted here last week is the most extensive in the United States. It includes \$200-\$400 penalties for those who discriminate on the basis of sexual orientation.

The legislation was adopted unanimously by the city council. It forbids mistreatment of Gays in employment, education, public accommodations, and housing (except for 2-unit, owner-occupied dwellings).

Matt Coles, Gay Rights Advocates, is the attorney who authored the measure. He was assisted in its passage by Berkeley Gay activists who formed the Committee for the Berkeley Human Rights Ordinance for Gay People. The Berkeley Human Rights Commission held six months of hearings before the final draft was approved.

Jane Niehaus, who helped lobby for the ordinance, told B.A.R. that considerable effort was made to rally public support for the legislation to stave off a possible repeal effort. She said that the committee went to great care to consider the objections of commission members and council members in order to form a united front of support.

Niehaus was joined in the effort by many concerned citizens including committee members Rock Eckel, Robert Brokl, Gayle Davis and Carol Venbrillo.

She advises others who are considering ordinances to "take the time and build support by educating the public. Berkeley is not as liberal as people think it is. It has not been easy. We have our homophobes too . . . By taking our time, we are happy that we were able to sensitize many that would not have considered the rights of Gays otherwise."

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Albee at Stanford

Pulitzer Prize-winning dramatist Edward Albee will give a lecture at 2:30pm Sunday, Oct. 8, in Memorial Auditorium, Stanford. Albee will discuss "The Playwright vs. The Theater." Tickets are \$2.50 general, \$1 students.

At 8:00pm Monday, Oct. 9, a five-member cast chosen and directed by Albee will present his "Zoo Story" and "The American Dream." Written in 1958, "The Zoo Story" was Albee's first play and won the Vernon Rice Award. "The American Dream" was written in 1960 and won the Foreign Press Association Award.

Albee is taking eight of his one-act plays on a 30-week tour of American colleges and universities. Tickets are available at Tresidder Ticket Office, Stanford (497-4317) and major Bay Area ticket agencies.

Jobs For Alameda Artists

"Artworks," a project of the Alameda County Neighborhood Arts Program (ACNAP), is employing artists to perform public arts services and in addition receive training in developing employment skills. Artists must be CETA eligible and residents of Alameda County outside of Oakland and Berkeley. Performing, visual and literary artists besides meeting income and residency requirements must also possess a demonstrated interest in community arts, a significant ability in any arts discipline and show the potential to become gainfully employed as an artist. Applications can be obtained from any main branch of the Public Library in the county or the ACNAP office, 424 40th St., Oakland, 94609, 653-7880. Deadline for applications is Monday, Oct. 9, at 5:00pm.

Not an art training program, a portion of the artists half-time work will be devoted to developing skills in economic survival. Classroom topics during the 6-month employment period will include: grantsmanship, fund-raising, basic law for artists, etc. Over 70 artists have participated in Artworks, which is entering its third year through a CETA contract awarded recently by the Alameda County Training and Employment Board located in Hayward.

The project is administered locally by the Alameda County Neighborhood Arts Program, a professional arts organization which strives to create and meet a demand for artistic activity throughout the county by supporting and administering arts programming. For more information about art services that will be offered or employment opportunities, call Rhonda White-Warner, 653-7880.

East Bay Carnival: Oct. I

Alameda County Supervisor John George and writer Margaret Sloan will join San Francisco Supervisor Harvey Milk as featured guests at an East Bay Carnival to Defeat the Briggs Initiative, to be held Sunday, Oct. 1, at the White Horse Tavern in Oakland (Telegraph Ave. near Alcatraz Ave.). The all-day fund-raiser starts at noon and lasts until 2:00am the next morning.

Proceeds to benefit A United Fund to Defeat the Briggs Initiative and the East Bay Coalition to Defeat the Briggs Initiative/No on 6.

Readers are being asked to observe radio and television programs and the written press for homophobic content. Stereotyping of Gay people (such as child molesters or effeminate) and misinformation about Lesbians and Gay men can be reported to groups that will act.

Gay Coalition on the Media is the Bay Area group that will move to halt local homophobia in the media. Its telephone number is (415) 547-2200. (In Los Angeles, citizens may call the ACLU Gay Rights Chapter at (213) HOMOSEX.)



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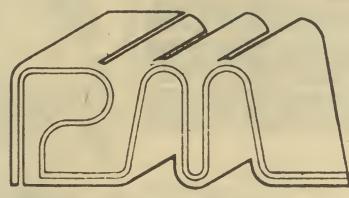
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